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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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Deputy Clark

DALE ARNOLD,

CIVIL NO. 1:00-CV-0775

Petitioner

(Judge Kane)

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(Magistrate Judge Smyser)

FREDERICK FRANK, BRADFORD COUNTY DISTRICT, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,

Respondents

RESPONDENTS MOTION FOR ENLARGEMENT OF TIME TO FILE ANSWER

And now comes, the Respondent, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by and through its counsel, Stephen Downs, Esq. and states:

- The Petitioner, Dale Arnold, pro se, filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus under
 U.S.C. 2254 by person in state custody on or about April 20, 2000.
 - 2. The Petitioners Petition names thirteen (13) issues or grounds for relief.
- 3. On or about May 18, 2000, the Honorable J. Andrew Smyser, Federal Magistrate Judge ordered that the Respondents file an answer on or before June 7, 2000.
- 4. Due to the volume of the Petitioner's Grounds for Relief as well as the volume of the official transcripts of Petitioner's criminal matter, Respondent is requesting a reasonable extension to file an answer per the Court's Order.

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WHEREFORE, the Respondent respectfully requests a reasonable extension to file its answer.

Respectfully submitted:

Dated: June 1, 2000

Stephen G. Downs, Esq.

District Attorney

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ORDER

Upon consideration of respondents' motion (Doc. 10), IT IS

ORDERED that an extension of time until June 28, 2000 is

GRANTED to the respondents in which to file an answer to the petition.

J. Andrew Smyser Magistrate Judge

Dated: June 7, 2000.